

Follow-up Protocol for Infants Born to Hepatitis B Surface Antigen-Positive (HBsAg-positive) Women

1. Review the Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR), and/or the Official Immunization Record to determine if the infant received the hepatitis B (hepB) vaccine and the hepatitis B immune globulin (HBIG) at birth.

2. At 1-2 months of age:

- A. Give the infant a dose of single-antigen hepB vaccine at 1-2 months of age, or PediarixTM (DTaP-HepB-IPV) or Comvax® (HepB-Hib) at 2 months of age, intramuscularly in the anterolateral thigh (at least 4 weeks after the first dose).
- B. Complete a <u>Hepatitis B Perinatal Case Report-Infant/Contact</u> form and mail or fax the information to the Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program (PHBPP).
- C. Flag the infant's chart as a reminder of when the next dose is due, ask the parent for current telephone and address information and update the patient's MCIR record.
- 3. If using PediarixTM or Comvax®, a dose of the hepB vaccine can be given at the 4 month-visit intramuscularly in the anterolateral thigh.
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4. At 6 months of age:

- A. Give the infant the last dose of single-antigen hepB vaccine or PediarixTM at 6 months of age, or if using Comvax® give the last dose at 12-15 months of age, intramuscularly in the anterolateral thigh (at least 8 weeks after the second dose, at least 16 weeks after the first, and no earlier than 24 weeks of age).
- B. Inform the parent that the infant will need a blood test at 9-18 months of age, (3 months after the completion of the hepB vaccine series), to see if the baby has been protected from the hepatitis B virus.
- C. Complete a <u>Hepatitis B Perinatal Case Report-Infant/Contact</u> form and mail or fax the information to the PHBPP.
- D. Flag the infant's chart as a reminder of when the blood test is due, ask the parent for current telephone and address information, and update the patient's MCIR record.

5. At nine to eighteen months of age (3 months after the completion of the vaccine series):

- A. Draw or refer the infant for **HBsAg** and hepatitis B surface antibody (**anti-HBs**) testing. To make arrangements for free testing contact the PHBPP case manager.
- B. Complete a <u>Hepatitis B Perinatal Case Report-Infant/Contact</u> form and mail or fax the information to the PHBPP.
- C. Ask the parent for current telephone and address information and update the patient's MCIR record.

If you have questions, or need test kits, please call the PHBPP staff at 517-335-8122 or 800-964-4487. In southeast Michigan, call 313-456-4431 or 313-456-4432.